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LANGUAGE EXERCISES

EU LEGAL ENGLISH TERMINOLOGY



I. MATCH LATIN TERMS WITH THEIR DEFINITIONS IN ENGLISH.

(Lis Pendens Rule, Lex Fori, Exequatur Procedure, Ad Litem Representative, Acta Jure Imperii, Ex Parte Measures, Forum Necessitates Rule, Quantum Meruit)

- 1. _____: A legal document permitting an officer of the court to execute a judgment within the jurisdiction of the judge who put it below the judgment.
- 2. _____: Person appointed to act for a party during the course of legal proceedings.
- 3. _____: Measure of damages where an express contract is either mutually changed by the implied agreement of the parties or is not completed, in which case a reasonable calculation of services rendered is made.
- 4. _____: Acts by right of dominion commonly used in conflict of laws. It regards issues of liability of a state for acts and omissions in the exercise of state authority.
- 5. _____: In the context of provisional measures, it means temporary orders issued by the court based on one party's request without hearing from the other side.
- 6. _____: Rule that ensures that where no court of a MS has jurisdiction pursuant to regulation (EC) 4/2009, the courts of the MS may hear the case if proceedings cannot reasonably be brought or conducted or would be impossible in a third MS with which the dispute is closely connected.
- 7. _____: Term used to refer to the laws of the jurisdiction in which a legal action is brought in case of a conflict of laws.
- 8. _____: Rule that requires that, where proceedings involving the same cause of action and between the same parties are brought in the courts of different mss, any court other than the court first seized shall of its own motion stay its proceedings until such time as the jurisdiction of the court first seized is established.



II. MATCH THE WORDS WITH THE CORRESPONDING DEFINITIONS.

(Accession, Debtor, Provision, Writ, Settlor, Winding Up, Liability, Jurisdiction, Proceedings, Defendant, Mutual Trust, Claimant, Recognition, Domicile, Enforcement, Judgment)

- 1. **Accession**: becoming a member (e.g., of the EU) by formally subscribing to its treaties and instruments.
- 2. _____: Order issued by a court or tribunal in written form.
- 3. _____: One that makes a property or financial settlement on behalf of someone else.
- 4. _____: Closing the financial aspects of a firm or enterprise.
- 5. _____: A party who responds to a civil action brought against them in a court or tribunal.
- 6. _____: A person or party who initiates a civil action in a court or tribunal.
- 7. _____: Power of a court to hear and decide a case or issue a certain order.
- 8. _____: One who owes something to somebody else.
- 9. _____: An order or decision given by a court or tribunal of a member state.
- 10. _____: Principle that seeks to ensure free movement of judgments in the EU.
- 11. _____: Legal capacity of a judgment given in a MS to be executed in another MS.
- 12. _____: Acceptance of a judgment in another MS without extra requirements needed.



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- 13. _____: A stipulation or qualification such as a clause in a document or agreement.
- 14. _____: Something one is liable for such as an obligation, debt, or responsibility.
- 15. _____: The instituting or conducting of legal action.
- 16. _____: A person's legal residence regardless of whether it may or may not be the place where that person resides at any one time.



**III. READ AND COMPLETE THE SENTENCES USING THE ADJECTIVES BELOW:
(Concurrent, Participating, Harmonious, Sound, Immovable, Legal, Internal, Competent, Compulsory,
Ancillary, Liability, Consecutive, Harmful, Maintenance, National)**

- 1. The provisions of this section may be departed from only by an agreement with a policyholder who is not domiciled in a member state, except in so far as the insurance is _____ or relates to _____ property in a member state.
- 2. In the interests of the _____ administration of justice it is necessary to minimise the possibility of _____ proceedings.
- 3. The application shall be submitted to the court or _____ authority indicated in the list in annex II.
- 4. Certain differences between _____ rules governing jurisdiction and recognition of judgments hamper the _____ operation of the _____ market.
- 5. In respect of _____ insurance, the insurer may in addition be sued in the courts for the place where the _____ event occurred.
- 6. In proceedings which have as their object tenancies of property concluded for temporary private use for a maximum period of six _____ months, the courts of the member state in which the defendant is domiciled shall also have jurisdiction.
- 7. Preliminary questions such as _____ capacity, _____ obligations or any other _____ measures should be determined by the conflict-of-laws rules applicable in the _____ member state concerned.



IV. USE THE VERBS BELOW TO COMPLETE THE SENTENCES. CHANGE THE FORM OF THE VERB IF NECESSARY.

(Oblige, Arbitrate, Evict, Adjourn, Rescind, Settle)

- 1. The new landlady started proceedings to _____ all her tenants.
- 2. The management and the unions were unable to _____ the dispute.
- 3. It was necessary for the parties to request a tribunal to _____.
- 4. The contract _____ the company to purchase a minimum amount of goods each year.
- 5. The committee will have to _____ its initial decision to rent their premises.
- 6. The tribunal will _____ until tomorrow morning at 9:00



V. COMPLETE THE SENTENCES WITH THE EU VERBS BELOW. CHANGE THE FORM OF THE VERB WHERE NEEDED

(Block, Seise, Raise, Sign, Apply, Entail, Sue, Call, Bring, Came)

- 1. The court _____ of the patent infringement in each of several jurisdictions may _____ high costs for the victims.
- 2. Defendants in infringement proceedings may _____ proceedings. This means to _____ the alleged invalidity of the patent as a defence.
- 3. The EU small claims procedure _____ to claims of a value not exceeding €2000.
- 4. The new Lugano convention was _____ into law in October 2007.
- 5. A person domiciled in a MS may be _____ in another MS in matters relating to a contract.
- 6. Increasing the mobility of citizens _____ for more flexibility.
- 7. Revenue, customs and administrative matters do not _____ within the scope of the regulation.
- 8. The obligation to _____ proceedings in each of several jurisdictions is costly for the victims.



VI. FILL IN THE GAPS IN THE TEXT, USING WORDS DERIVING FROM THOSE PROVIDED IN EACH CASE

SERVING A EUROPEAN ORDER FOR PAYMENT ON A DEFENDANT

A European order for payment is served on a [defend] _____ (1) in accordance with the [nation] _____ (2) law of the state in which [serve] _____ (3) is to be effected. The [regulate] _____ (4) sets out minimum [procedure] _____ (5) standards regarding service either with or without [prove] _____ (6) of receipt by the defendant.

SERVICE WITH PROOF OF RECEIPT:

- Personal service: the defendant signs an [acknowledge] _____ (7) of receipt, including the date of [receive] _____ (8);
- Personal service: the [competent] _____ (9) person who effected the service signs a duly dated document stating that the defendant has received the document or refused to receive it without any legal [justify] _____ (10);
- The defendant signs and returns a [due] _____ (11) dated acknowledgement of receipt when the European order for payment is received by post or by electronic means, such as fax or e-mail.



VII. REPLACE THE WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS UNDERLINED IN THE TEXT, USING A SYNONYM FROM THOSE PROVIDED

(Annual, At Least, Combat, Blank, In Accordance With, In Force, Lay Down, National, Note, Operation, Seek, Stage)

- If interest is asked for _____ (1), this should be specified for each claim according to _____ (2) the codes indicated on the form. The code must contain both the relevant number (first row of the codes) and the letter (second row of the codes). For instance, if the interest rate has been agreed by contract and covers yearly _____ (3) periods, the code is 02A. If it is for the court to decide the amount of interest the last box [to] should be left empty _____ (4), and code 06E should be used. Code 01 refers to an interest rate established _____ (5) by statute.

1. Please bear in mind _____ (6) that in commercial transactions as referred to in directive 2000/35/EC of 29 June 2000 on fighting _____ (7) late payments, the statutory interest rate is the sum of the interest rate applied by the European central bank to its most recent main refinancing transaction _____ (8) carried out before the first calendar day of the half-year in question ('the reference rate'), plus a minimum of _____ (9) seven percentage points. For a member state which is not participating in the third phase _____ (10) of economic and monetary union, the reference rate referred to above is the equivalent rate set at domestic _____ (11) level (e.g. By the national central bank). In both cases the reference rate applicable _____ (12) on the first calendar day of the half-year in question will apply for the following six months (see art. 3(1)(d) of directive 2000/35/EC).



VIII. FILL IN THE GAPS IN FOLLOWING SENTENCES USING THE APPROPRIATE PREPOSITIONS

1. The claimant shall be informed _____ any transfer to ordinary civil proceedings.
2. Where the claimant has pursued his claim _____ the European order for payment procedure, nothing _____ national law shall prejudice his position in subsequent ordinary civil proceedings.
3. The order shall be enforced in the other member states _____ the need _____ a declaration of enforceability.
4. The defendant was prevented _____ objecting to the claim _____ reason of force majeure.
5. If the court decides that the review is justified _____ one of the reasons laid _____ in paragraphs 1 and 2, the European order for payment shall be null and void.
6. _____ No circumstances may the European order for payment be reviewed as _____ its substance in the member state of enforcement.
7. All procedural issues not specifically dealt _____ in this regulation shall be governed _____ national law.
8. Where a statement _____ opposition is lodged, the proceedings shall continue _____ the competent courts of the member state of origin



**IX. FILL IN THE GAPS IN FOLLOWING SENTENCES USING THE APPROPRIATE PREPOSITIONS
(Accept, Govern, Inform, Issue, Pursue, Reject, Specify)**

If the court's proposal _____ (1)
by the claimant, a European order for
payment _____ (2) for the part of
the claim accepted by the claimant. The
consequences with respect to the remaining
part of the initial claim _____ (3)
by national law. If the claimant fails to
reply within the time limit which
_____ (4) by the court or refuses
the court's proposal, the application for a
European order for payment _____
(5) in its entirety.

The applicant _____ (6) of the
reasons for which the claim has been
rejected using form D (annex IV). There is no
right of appeal if an application
_____ (7). In such cases, however, the
claim may still _____ (8) by means
of a new application for a European order
for payment or using any other procedure
available under the law of an EU country.



X. TRANSFORM THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES INTO THE PASSIVE

1. The regulation includes a form which people are to use in order to apply for a European order of payment.

The regulation includes a form which is to be...

2. People use the appropriate EU legislation in order to decide the jurisdiction of courts.

The jurisdiction of courts...

3. The amount was due when they submitted the application

The amount was due when the application...

4. The court considers whether the application has met the applicability conditions.

The court considers whether the applicability conditions...

5. The court may propose that the applicant amend the application.

The court may propose that the application...

6. They will ask the claimant to accept or refuse the timescale set by the court.

The claimant ...

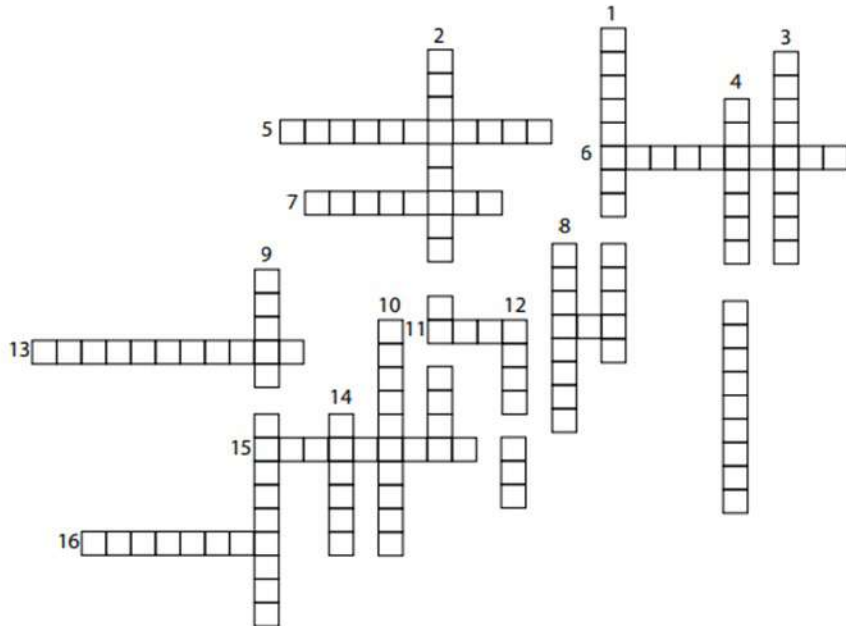
7. Someone must inform the applicants of the consequences of their decision.

Claimants...



XI. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING CROSSWORD

III. Complete the following crossword:



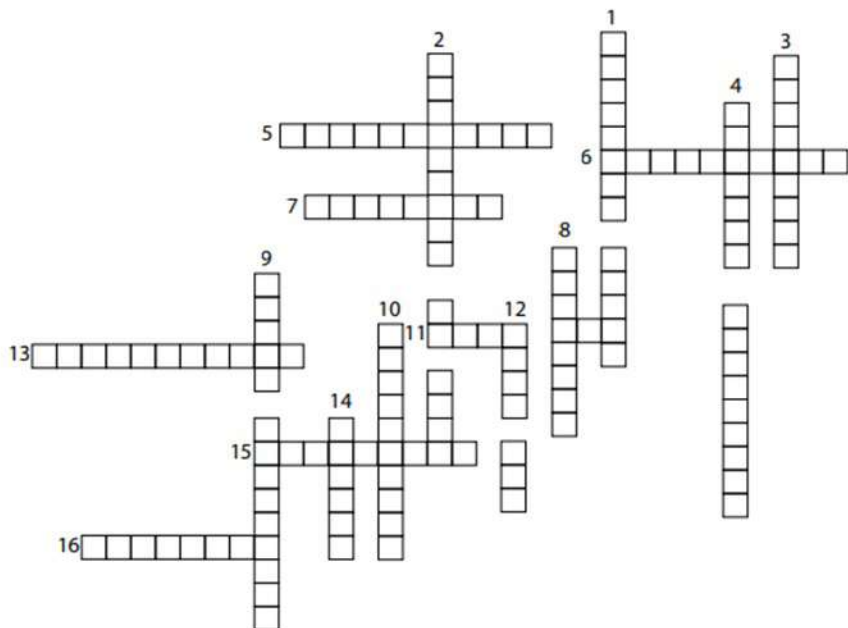
DOWN

1. Order to stop a party from disposing of money or assets pending a final decision being made by the court about distribution of that money or assets
2. Recognition by a party that an amount of money is owed
3. Related to money
4. Situation where parties are liable only for their respective obligations
8. Someone to whom money is owed
9. Situation where two parties share a single liability, but each can be held liable for the whole of it
10. Process of dissolving a corporation by collecting all assets and income, satisfying creditors, and distributing any net assets left
12. Capital payment from one party to another
14. Party owing a debt to another



XI. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING CROSSWORD

III. Complete the following crossword:



ACROSS

- 5. Agreement or compromise by which a creditor or group of creditor accept partial payments from a debtor
- 6. Situation where someone has insufficient assets to meet debts and liabilities
- 7. Property deposited as a guarantee of the payment of a debt
- 11. Reach the date for payment
- 13. Execution of a law or court decision
- 15. Right to recover from a third party the whole amount one has to pay
- 16. Act of selling or transferring goods



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